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For: EXCITATION RATIO METRIC  
FLUORESCENT BIOSENSOR FOR ZINC ION  
AT PICOMOLAR LEVELS

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Examiner: A. Soderquist

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated November 16, 2007, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** are presented on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.